महानगर टेलीफोन निगम लिमिटेड में वायरमैनों का नियमित किया जाना

3539. **श्री शरद यादव** : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि महानगर टेलीफोन निगम लिमिटेड में दैनिक वेतन पर कार्य कर रहे वायरमैनो की सेवाओ को नियमित किया जा रहा है यदि हां, तो कब तक ;

(ख) क्या इस परिवर्तन के परिणाम-स्वरूप उन्हे कम वेतन तथा कम सुविधाए मिलेंगी यदि हा, तो उसके क्या कारण है ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि दैनिक वेतन पर कार्य कर रहे "कुशल श्रमिको" (स्किल्ड लेबर) को "अकुशल श्रमिको" (अनस्किल्ड लेबर) के रूप मे नियमित किया जा रहा है , और

(घ) क्या सरकार ने इस बाबत मजदूर सघो मे व्याप्त असतोष पर विचार किया है तथा क्या सरकार को उनसे कोई माग-पत्र प्राप्त हुआ है यदि हा, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है ?

संचार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री संतोष मोहन देव) : (क) दैनिक मजदूरी पर कार्य कर रहे वायरमैनों को उनके संवर्ग में खाली पद उपलब्ध होने पर भर्ती नियमो के अनुसार नियमित कर दिया जाता है ।

(ख) जी नही ।

(ग) जी नही । फिर भी यदि कोई कुशल मजदूर ग्रुप "डी" पद (अकुशल संवर्ग) पर अपने को खपाना चाहे तो उसके मामले पर विचार किया जाता है ।

(घ) जी नही । सरकार को इस मामले में असतोष का कोई कारण नही दिखाई पड़ता ।

Routes of Punjab Mail and Udyan Abha Express

3540. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that both, Punjab Mail and Udyan Abha Express, cover the same route between Delhi and Bhatinda with a gap of about forty five minutes to one hour;

(b) whether desirability of diverting one of these trains enroute on Jakhal-Dhuri-Bhatinda sections has been considered; and

(c) if so, what factors have contributed in denial of direct fast train to Delhi to the people of the above areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) Yes, Sir. But these run between different destinations and serve separate streams of traffic.

(b) and (c) Due to longer route and increased journey time, diversion as suggested will not be in the interest of long distance passengers Dhuri is, however, linked with Delhi by two pairs of express trains.

Caving in of Elephanta Caves

3541 SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that on two occasions some portions of Elephanta caves caved in recently;

(b) if so, what is the nature and extent of damage; and

(c) what steps have been taken to study the causes thereof and to prevent damage?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) A portion of the natural rock above the facade of unfinished cave No. 3 roughly measuring 7 00x0.50 to 1.00 x 0.50 m fell down on 12th September, 1987.

(c) Scientific and structural investigations have been carried out by different agencies and necessary conservation measures have been initiated.

Introduction of new trains

3542. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the mechanism/procedure adopted for introduction of new trains on existing routes, and

(b) what is the role of travelling-public in arriving at such decisions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Proposals regarding introduction of new trains, etc are formulated by the Zonal Railways in consultation with the Divisional/Zonal Railway Users' Consultative Committees which include public representatives and given final shape by the Inter-Railway Time Table Co-ordination Committee which meets twice every year.

Use of languages in examination conducted by Railway Service Commissions

3543. SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHAKRISHNA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the languages in which the candidates, can write in the examinations conducted by the different Railway Service Commissions;

(b) whether there are any special marks set apart for Hindi examinees; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to allow the candidates to write in the examinations in all the languages mentioned in the Constitution of India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) The candidates have the option of using English or Hindi in the written test conducted by Railway Recruitment Boards (previously known as Railway Service Commissions) in all recruitment examinations.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

Rajdhani Express for Southern Cities

3544. SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHAKRISHNA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state.

(a) whether there is any proposal to run the Rajdhani Express from New Delhi to any Southern City; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to reduce the running time of A P Express?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Reduction in the running time is not feasible for the present.

Amendment of Motor Vehicles Act, 1939

3545 SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHAKRISHNA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to amend the Motor Vehicles Act, 1939; and